

Utah Homeless Services Board

September 25, 2025

Zoom Meeting

Anchor Location:

East Senate Building, 120 E. Capitol St.

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Salt Lake City, UT

Agenda

1:00pm - 3:30pm

Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Ryan Beck, Tiffanie Price, Brandy Grace, Jen Campbell, Spencer P. Eccles, Moe Egan, Mayor Erin Mendenhall, Wayne Niederhauser, Mayor Cherie Wood, Randy Shumway, Casey Cameron

Excused/Absent:

Support Staff: Nick Coleman, Shalie Ripley, Elliott Clark, Josh Romney

Agenda Item	Discussion	Recommendations/Actions
Agenda Item 1	Call Meeting to Order a. Roll Call It was determined that a quorum was present.	Randy Shumway Shalie Ripley
	b. Approval of Consent Calendar *‡ i. June 25, 2025 Minutes *‡ ii. Aug. 18, 2025 Minutes *‡ iii. Approve Changes to R988-400-7 *‡	Randy Shumway called for a motion to approve the consent calendar. Wayne Niederhasuer made a motion to approve the consent calendar as on the agenda including meeting minutes from June 25, 2025 and August 18, 2025. Also on

		the consent calendar, are the technical amendments to the Utah Administrative Rule R988-400-7. Mayor Erin Mendenhall seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
Agenda Item 2		
	2. Community Leader Recognition	
	 a. Commr. Brandon Gordon, Utah County ‡ Isaac read Commr. Gordon's nomination and the board presented him with his award. 	Isaac Paxman
	b. Commr. Clinton Painter ‡	Commr. Greg Jensen
	Commr. Jensen read Commr. Painter's nomination and the board presented him with his award. c. Ryan Steinbeigle ‡ Commr. Stevenson read Ryan's nomination and the board presented him with his award.	Commr. Bob Stevenson
Agenda Item 3	3. 2025-2026 Winter Response Plan *‡	Wayne Niederhauser
	The board reviewed the statutory Winter Response Plan. Concerns were raised about the lack of funding beyond April 2026. Staff will draft a letter to state leaders highlighting the need for continued support, with input from the executive committee and business community.	Ryan Beck made a motion to approve the winter response plan as outlined in the meeting materials. Tiffanie Price Seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
Agenda Item 4	4 2026 LIHSP Logislative Personmendations *†	Pandy Shumuray
	4. 2026 UHSB Legislative Recommendations *‡	Randy Shumway
	There was extensive discussion around the legislative recommendations document presented to the board. The executive committee worked to incorporate feedback from members into the initial draft. Following additional input and deliberation during the meeting, several revisions were made to the original document. Please refer to the adopted motions below for details on the final changes.	Please refer to the motions in the description of Agenda Item 4.
	Motion 1: Ryan Beck made a motion. The response to question one from the governor and legislative leadership has 3 components.	Roll Call Vote: -Tiffanie Price: Yes

The first is related to funding, and reads, funding for both construction and operation of the campus will be the single biggest accelerant to campus creation. We believe the State should identify a consistent, predictable statewide funding source to this end. As a result of these changes, we expect to find savings in the existing system to support these expanded services, we also believe we will need additional funding in the near term for it to be successful. With an expectation that these kinds of transformational investments will lead to significant cost savings over time.

Second, Accountability center. Identify a location for a secure residential placement facility that provides substance use disorder treatment as an alternative to jail; participants receive care in a supervised environment where entry and exit are not voluntary. Work closely with relevant state and local partners to determine the best location, operating model and funding resources.

Transformative Mental and Behavioral Care. Evaluate placement of a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC), and fund the clinic through a federally-supported Medicaid prospective payment system (PPS) to ensure 24/7 integrated care. Explore pathways with relevant state and local partners to locate a facility with a minimum of 300 beds for involuntary commitment.

Mayor Mendenhall seconded the motion.

Motion 2: Ryan made a motion to vote to approve priorities 3, 4, 5, and the additional priority as written.

Priority 3. In response to develop policy recommendations for the 2026 General Legislative Session, alongside legislative and executive branch partners. Increase Case Management Workforce. Instruct USHE to augment Clinical Behavioral Health workers by rolling-out by Spring 2026 semester at ATC's, SLCC, and Universities the following: The University of Utah-piloted Stackable Credentialing structure for Clinical Behavioral Health licenses: Technician (1 yr), Specialist (A.S. degree), and Counselor (B.S. degree).

Work with all relevant universities and colleges Psychology and Social Work A.S./B.S. programs to embed the coursework (6-12 credits) and practicum hours needed for the new behavioral-health licenses—without adding credits beyond 60/120 for the respective degrees.

Instruct DOPL to immediately define scopes-of-practice for stackable credentials/licensing, including formal licensing of Earned-by-Experience peer-to-peer coaches, issue provisional rules within 6 months, and fund curriculum-alignment grants for statewide roll-out.

Priority 4. Pilot Exhaustive Treatment-Focused Intervention. Coordinate with the White House regarding the United States Public Health Service Corp (USPHSC) Rapid Deployment Force and Mental Health Teams (MHTs) to support

-Mayor Cherie Wood: Yes

-Brandy Grace: Yes

-Spencer Eccles: Yes

-Randy Shumway: Yes

-Wayne Niederhauser: Yes

-Mayor Erin Mendenhall: Yes

-Ryan Beck: Yes

-Casey Cameron: Yes

- Jen Campbell: No

-Maurice Egan: Yes

Roll Call Vote:

-Tiffanie Price: Yes

-Mayor Cherie Wood: Yes

-Brandy Grace: Yes

-Spencer Eccles: Yes

-Randy Shumway: Yes

-Wayne Niederhauser: Yes

-Mayor Erin Mendenhall: Yes

-Ryan Beck: Yes

-Casey Cameron: Yes

- Jen Campbell: No

-Maurice Egan: Yes

Utah in this humanitarian crisis; explore becoming a pilot for the rest of the country on how to deploy an exhaustive treatment-focused intervention that is dignified, humane, and efficacious.

Priority 5. Reducing Red-Tape. Instruct OHS, under the direction of the State Coordinator, to complete a full, systemic review of existing accountability measures within contracts, and report recommended cuts of burdensome and duplicative reporting to the UHSB during the November 2025 meeting. Integrated Data Systems. Develop integrated data-sharing systems and publish the information; provide clear, full, transparent data sharing with law enforcement. Consider passing legislation giving the UHSB and OHS the statutory authority to integrate data from HMIS, health and criminal justice for policy, accountability and treatment purposes.

Finally, the additional priority. Affirming support for Salt Lake City Police Chief Brian Redd. Winter Response Extension. Extend state code 35A-16-502, which is currently scheduled to sunset following the 2025-2026 winter response season, for at least three (3) fiscal years. Instruct OHS staff to work with the Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) and the Utah Association of Counties (UAC) to identify sufficient funding to support winter response and summer-extension planning efforts.

Wayne Niederhauser seconded the motion.

Motion 3: Randy Shumway made a motion that the board reword their first motion. Now under the Transformative Mental and Behavioral Care, it states, evaluate placement of a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC), and fund the clinic through a federally-supported Medicaid prospective payment system (PPS) to ensure 24/7 integrated care. Explore pathways with relevant state and local partners to locate a facility with a minimum of 300 beds for involuntary commitment, through the civil commitment process.

Mayor Erin Mendenhall seconded the motion.

Motion 4: Spencer Eccles made a motion to accept priority number 2 as illustrated. The Utah Homeless Services Board and the Office of Homeless Services have highlighted a number of potential gaps and possible solutions in our current homeless response plan that create significant financial inefficiencies, systemic issues, and obstacles to human thriving. The Office of Homeless Services will collaborate with stakeholders to verify and further identify gaps in our current homelessness response plan and develop a prioritized list of solutions to fill those gaps with a

Roll Call Vote:

- -Tiffanie Price: Yes
- -Mayor Cherie Wood: Yes
- -Brandy Grace: Yes
- -Spencer Eccles: Yes
- -Randy Shumway: Yes
- -Wayne Niederhauser: Yes
- -Mayor Erin Mendenhall: Yes
- -Ryan Beck: Yes
- -Casey Cameron: Yes
- Jen Campbell: No
- -Maurice Egan: Yes

Roll Call Vote:

- -Tiffanie Price: Yes
- -Mayor Cherie Wood: Yes
- -Brandy Grace: Yes
- -Spencer Eccles: Yes

commitment to submit formal recommendations for the 2026 General Legislative Session. The initial list of potential gaps and solutions are as follows. They're as outlined. Everybody on the board without any objection could review those. Brandy Grace seconded the motion.	-Randy Shumway: Yes -Wayne Niederhauser: Yes -Mayor Erin Mendenhall: Yes -Ryan Beck: Yes -Casey Cameron: Yes - Jen Campbell: No -Maurice Egan: Yes
Motion 5: Wayne Niederhauser made a motion that the Office of Homeless Services take what has been approved today and draft a letter for the chairs signature and approval before it's sent off. The office of Homeless Services will send out the letter to everybody before next Tuesday. They will add a sentence or whatever is needed to the letter saying that the board is still working on some issues, and that they'll update their recommendations in 30 days. The Office of Homeless Services will schedule a 90-minute virtual meeting to go over those recommendations. Tiffanie Price seconded the motion.	Roll Call Vote: -Tiffanie Price: Yes -Mayor Cherie Wood: Yes -Brandy Grace: Yes -Spencer Eccles: Yes -Randy Shumway: Yes -Wayne Niederhauser: Yes -Mayor Erin Mendenhall: Yes -Ryan Beck: Yes -Casey Cameron: Yes - Jen Campbell: No -Maurice Egan: Yes
Agenda Item 5 5. Adjourn *	Randy Shumway Jennifer Campbell made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Cherie Wood seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

^{*} Needs approval

[‡] Had corresponding document